

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Sau C. Wong et al.  
Assignee: SanDisk Corporation  
Title: Analog Buffer Memory for High-Speed Digital Image Capture  
Application No.: 09/159,397 Filing Date: September 23, 1998  
Examiner: Whipkey, Jason T. Group Art Unit: 2612  
Docket No.: SNDK.195US0 Conf. No.: 5079

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**ALTERNATIVE PETITIONS TO  
(1) WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181, or  
(2) REVIVE THE APPLICATION AS UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED UNDER 37  
CFR §1.137(b)**

Dear Sir:

This petition is in response to the Notice of Abandonment, mailed in the above-referenced case on February 21, 2006. The Notice of Abandonment (copy attached, Exhibit 1) was issued for failure to respond to the Notice of Allowance for the present application mailed on September 12, 2005.

More specifically, the Patent Office mailed a Notice of Allowance for the present application on September 12, 2005. In response, an Issue Fee transmittal (copy attached, Exhibit 2), which was due on December 12, 2005, was mailed back to the Patent Office on December 9, 2005. The return postcard (copy attached, Exhibit 3) that accompanied the transmittal shows it was received at the PTO on December 12, 2005. Copies of the Issue Fee transmittal and post card are included with this petition. As can be seen on the Issue Fee transmittal, the application, the Assignee, and the firm of the undersigned that is the representative of the Assignee in this case are all fully identified and the appropriate boxes on the form are filled in. Under section 4b, the method payment is indicated as being the Deposit Account, but with the number of the

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the method payment is indicated as being the Deposit Account, but with the number of the deposit account was inadvertently omitted. According to the Notice of Abandonment, the application is abandoned as issue and publication fees were not submitted. This is respectfully submitted to be in error as the Issue Fee transmittal was returned on time and, although the Deposit Account number was not explicitly included, the transmittal contained sufficient information for this to be determined as the undersigned firm was fully identified, including the Customer Number found on the Issue Fee transmittal. Therefore, it is requested that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181.

Alternatively, if it is decided that the Notice of Abandonment cannot be withdrawn under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181, it is respectfully requested that the subject application be revived under 37 CFR §1.137(b) on the ground that the delay in responding was unintentional. It is submitted, based on the facts stated above, that the delay in responding to the Office action was the result of non-receipt of the Office Action and was therefore unintentional. The entire delay in filing the required reply from its due date until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.137(b) was unintentional.

Please charge \$1706.00 for the Issue Fee, Publication Fee and 2 Advanced Copies, and any fees in connection with the filing of these alternative petitions to Deposit Account 502664.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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